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) Examiner: Not Assigned

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Sir:

The above-identified application was filed on September 8, 2003 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d) and § 1.53(f), in a language other than English and without a signed Declaration. To date, applicant has received no communication from the Office with regard to this application. Applicant awaits receipt of a Filing Receipt and a Notice to File Missing Parts.

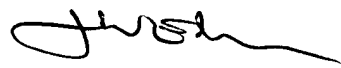
Since more than five months have elapsed since the filing of this application, Applicant's undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant now is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 9, 2004

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